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# Indicators of Environmental Quality

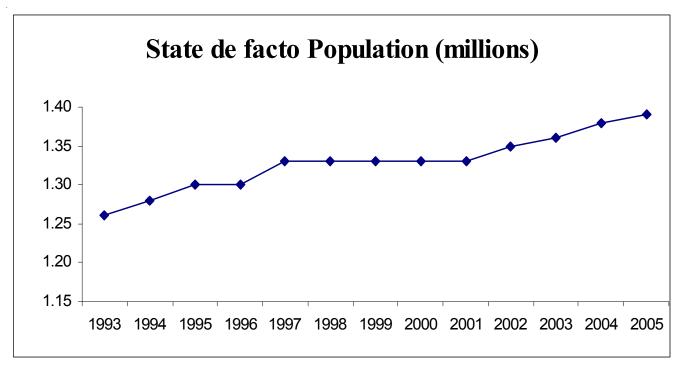
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### Introduction

Hawaii's de facto population (which include visitors present but excludes residents temporarily absent) grew from 1.26 million in 1993 to 1.39 million in 2005, and is projected to grow to 1.72 million by 2020. The rise in population not only means a greater pressure on the natural resources, but also an increase in the amount of waste products generated that are released into the air, water and land. Recently the trend has shown more growth to the neighbor islands, which means the rural areas are now also facing some of the stresses of human impact.

Since we live on isolated islands in the middle of the sea, this means that we need to be very aware of the situations that are, or can be, created by polluting our limited land space. The effects of environmental health are closely tied to the public health of our residents and visitors. As the population continues to increase, so will the challenges to balance the needs of health, environment, and economics of Hawaii.



Note: the vertical axis does not begin with zero

### **Document Notes**

Environmental Indicator: a tool that uses the best available data to measure the quality of the environment and/or progress made in protecting the environment.

This report includes a selection of nineteen environmental indicators, each occupying a single page. Each indicator shows a data set, a chart based on those data, and a discussion of the indicator and the data upon which it is based. Only data collected by, through or about the Hawaii State Department of Health programs are included.

The discussion accompanying each indicator is separated into five sections:

Explanation: the first section explains the data and chart, focusing on the fundamental picture portrayed the chart. Terms and caveats are also discussed in this section.

*Implications:* An "implications" section follows, with a short and sometimes subjective discussion of what impact the indicator findings may have on public health and the environment, and therefore on the Department of Health's (DOH) environmental programs.

Data Quality: The third section provides a one-word assessment of date quality for the indicator. Data quality is ranked as either High (± 5-10% confidence), Medium (± 10-25% confidence) or Low (± 25-50% confidence).

The last two discussion sections note the source of the data and comment on whether the data are required of DOH by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). In most cases, when a percentage scale is used in a chart, the scale ranges from 0 to 100 percent. To more clearly show trends, some chart scales extend from values of 50% or 75% to 100%.

Data used are organized on a federal fiscal year (FFY) calendar, October through September, unless otherwise noted, and usually cover the years 2001-2006 in order to show a five-year trend for each indicator. Some indicators do not have data available for that period, and some provide only a "snap shot" of information for a single year.

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EHA -Environmental Health AdministrationEPA -U. S. Environmental Protection Agency

**EPO** -Environmental Planning Office

NRIAQ -Noise, Radiation & Indoor Air Quality Branch

**SDWB** -Safe Drinking Water Branch

SHWB -Solid & Hazardous Waste Branch

**SLD** -State Laboratories Division

VCB -Vector Control Branch

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# Ambient Levels of Sulfur Dioxide Compared to National Standards

Explanation: The national standard for sulfur dioxide ( $SO_2$ ) concentrations was set by EPA at 80 micrograms/cubic meter ( $\mu$ g/m³) as the annual average limit of  $SO_2$  in ambient air. The Honolulu air monitoring station is located atop the DOH building downtown. Data from this station are shown here as representative of  $SO_2$  concentrations in Hawai'i. The results show that the annual average over the past five years, 1-3  $\mu$ g/m³, has been well below the standard.

*Implications:* Hawai'i's annual average  $SO_2$  concentrations are very low compared to the national standard. On persistent Kona wind days, volcanic emissions from the island of Hawai'i can be transported to O'ahu and are experienced mostly as sulfates ( $SO_4$ ). These sulfates are included in the  $PM_{10}$  (particulate) category expressed on the next page.

For a statewide report on air: www.hawaii.gov/health/environmental/air/cab/cabmaps/report.html For real/near time monitoring data for Oahu and Hawaii: www.hawaii.gov/don/air-quality/index.html

#### Data Quality: High (± 5-10%confidence).

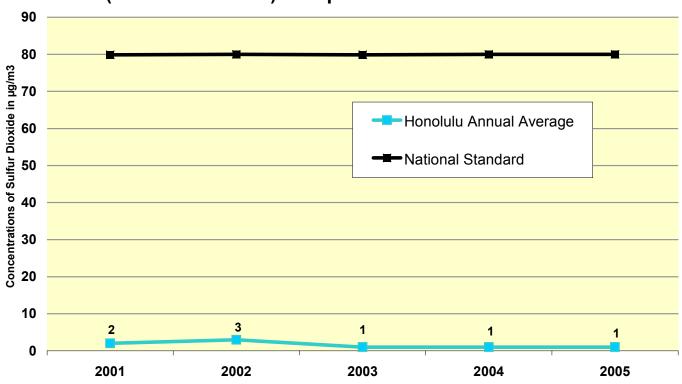
Source: DOH Clean Air Branch.

Data are required by the EPA.

#### Sulfur Dioxide Data

FFY	Honolulu Annual Average of SO <sub>2</sub>	National Standard for SO <sub>2</sub>
2001	2	80
2002	3	80
2003	1	80
2004	1	80
2005	1	80

# Hawai'i's Annual Average Sulfur Dioxide Levels (Honolulu Station) Compared to the National Standard



# Ambient Levels of Air-borne Particulates Compared to National Standards

*Explanation:* The EPA has set the annual average of the particulate matter, or  $PM_{10}$ , at 50 micrograms/cubic meter ( $\mu g/m^3$ ).  $PM_{10}$  is defined as particulates with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to 10 microns. At the Honolulu monitoring station, located in the heart of downtown, the annual average concentration of particulates varied from 14 to 16  $\mu g/m^3$ . At 16  $\mu g/m^3$  this annual average is 72% below EPA's standard.

*Implications:* The concentrations measured in Honolulu are far below the national standard. The visual trend line shows that, within the past 5 years, the particulate levels have stayed on a fairly even line between 14-16  $\mu$ g/m³. Concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub> are not significantly affected by sulfates from volcanic emissions carried over O'ahu by Kona winds.

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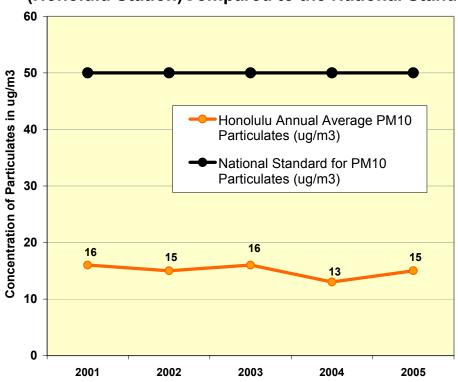
Source: DOH Clean Air Branch

Data are required by the EPA.

#### Air-borne Particulates Data

FFY	Honolulu Annual Average of PM₁₀	National Standard for PM <sub>10</sub>
2001	16	50
2002	15	50
2003	16	50
2004	13	50
2005	15	50

# Hawai'i's Annual Average Particulate Level (Honolulu Station)Compared to the National Standard





# Ambient Levels of Carbon Monoxide Compared to National Standards

*Explanation:* EPA set the 1-hour average limit for carbon monoxide (CO) concentrations in ambient air at 40,000 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu$ g/m³). This indicator reflects CO data measured at the Honolulu monitoring station located in the heart of downtown, an area with heavy automobile traffic. The CO measurement differs from the other indicators in this report as it reflects the highest 1-hour value each year rather than an annual average. In addition to the 1-hour national standard, EPA has set an 8-hour standard for CO at 10,000  $\mu$ g/m³.

*Implications:* Although there are some fluctuations in the annual averages, Hawai`i's recorded 8-hour values are consistently well below the national standard.

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For real/near time monitoring data for Oahu and Hawaii: www.hawaii.gov/don/air-quality/index.html

Data Quality: High (± 5-10%confidence).

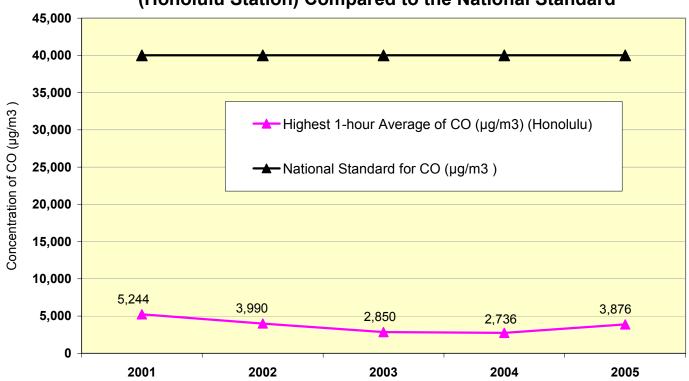
Source: DOH Clean Air Branch

Data are required by the EPA.

#### Carbon Monoxide Data

FFY	Highest 1-hour Average of CO (Honolulu)	National Standard for CO
2001	5,244	40,000
2002	3,990	40,000
2003	2,850	40,000
2004	2,736	40,000
2005	3,876	40,000

# Hawai'i's Highest 1-hour Average for Carbon Monoxide (Honolulu Station) Compared to the National Standard



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# Percentage of Schools with Required Asbestos Management Plan

Explanation: Buildings constructed before 1980 may contain asbestos in pipe insulation, structural fireproofing, mechanical areas, and wall plaster. If asbestos-containing building materials (ACBMs) are not properly identified and managed they may be unintentionally disturbed, causing the release of asbestos fibers. ACBMs still exist in Hawai'i's schools. EPA regulations and Hawaii Administrative Rules require each school to prepare an Asbestos Management Plan, which documents the presence and condition of ACBMs and specifies provisions for properly managing any ACBM present. Plans are required to contain inspection and re-inspection reports; periodic surveillance reports; response action information; notices sent to parents and employees; designated person information and custodian training documents. Since the program's inception in 1988, over 400 schools have been contacted by NRIAQB staff and informed of this requirement. For the purposes of this measurement, compliance is assumed unless an inspection proves otherwise. The number of schools required to comply will change as new schools open and existing schools are closed.

*Implications:* The chart shows an increase in compliance since 2000, likely the result of increased inspections along with greater follow-up activities. Almost all schools in Hawaii have an asbestos management plan, but there is not necessarily a direct correlation between the existence of a plan and its proper implementation. The improvement in compliance since 2000 has resulted from increases in both the implementation of the plans as well as the additional compliance assistance activities provided by the program. The total number of schools required to comply increased due to the addition of private and charter schools to the system across the state.

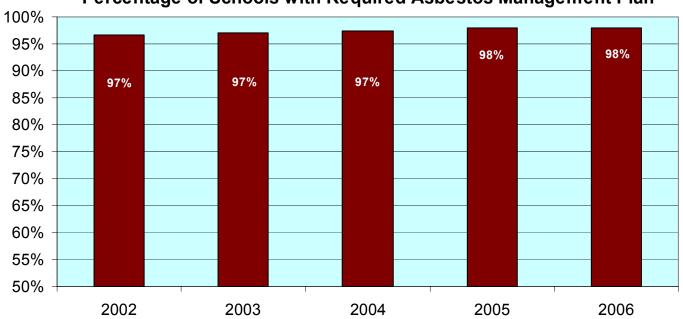
Data Quality: High (±5-10% confidence).

Source: Tom Lileikis (NRIAQ)

Data are required by the EPA.

Percentage of Schools with Required Asbestos  Management Plan				
FFY	Total Number of Schools Required to Comply	Number of Schools with Required Plan	Percentage of Schools with Required Plan	
2002	416	402	97%	
2003	416	404	97%	
2004	416	405	97%	
2005	423	414	98%	
2006	423	414	98%	

#### Percentage of Schools with Required Asbestos Management Plan





## Contaminated Sites with Clean-up Completed

*Explanation:* Progress made in the clean-up of contaminated sites, broken down into three categories, is measured by the date of completion of the clean-up process. The vast bulk of the clean-ups are comprised of leaking underground storage tank (LUST) sites. The next three indicators on the following pages will provide more specific data relating to the progress of each site category.

*Implications:* Staff has brought a backlog of LUST release cases into compliance with Hawai'i's UST rules.

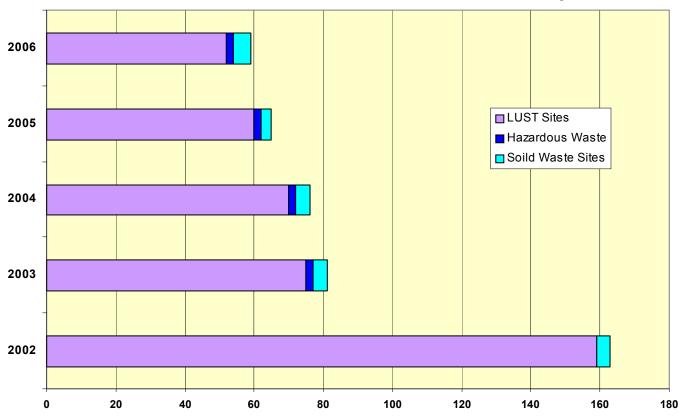
Data Quality: High (± 5-10%confidence).

Sources: Grace Simmons (SHWB), Lane Otsu (SHWB), and Roxanne Kwan (SHWB).

Data are required by the EPA.

С	Contaminated Sites Clean-up Data				
FFY	Hazardous Waste	Soild Waste Sites	LUST Sites	Total Sites	
2002	0	4	159	163	
2003	2	4	75	81	
2004	2	4	70	76	
2005	2	3	60	65	
2006	2	5	52	59	

### **Number of Contaminated Sites Cleaned-up**





# Cumulative Numbers of Leaking Underground Storage Tank Sites with Clean-up Partially Addressed or Completed

Explanation: Of the 1,874 confirmed releases from underground storage tanks from 1987 to 2006, 84% have had 'clean-up' completed. Eleven percent of the sites have had 'clean up' partially addressed, (i.e., efforts have begun which: manage contaminated soil, remove free product, manage dissolved petroleum, and/or monitor the groundwater or soil), and 5% have yet to be addressed.

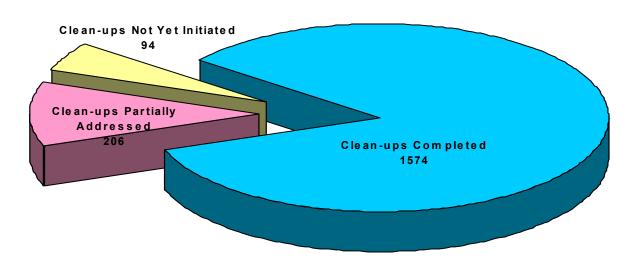
Implications: Some of the data for this indicator are included with data listed on the previous page; the data on this page pertains only to LUST sites and includes releases that have received no clean-up activity or that have only had clean-up partially addressed. Clean-ups for this category of contaminated sites has increased. Of the 5% of the sites that have not been addressed, some are recent releases for which the DOH has yet to receive information on clean-up efforts. None of the unaddressed sites constitutes an emergency situation.

Data quality: High (±5-10%confidence).

Source: Roxanne Kwan (SHWB). Data are required by the EPA.

		LUST Site Clean-up Data					
FFY	Total Tanks	Active Tanks	Closed Tanks	Confirmed Releases	Clean-ups Partially Addressed	Clean-ups Not Initiated	Clean-ups Completed
2006	7,832	2,001	5,831	1,874	206	94	1,574
2005	7,803	2,041	5,762	1,840	236	100	1,504
2004	7,775	2,076	5,699	1,803	253	113	1,437
2003	6,748	1,867	4,881	1,732	290	57	1,385
2002	6,729	1,925	4,804	1,707	295	97	1,310

# Status of Leaking Underground Storage Tank Sites Cleaned Up as of FY 2006





## Quantity of Hazardous Waste Generated

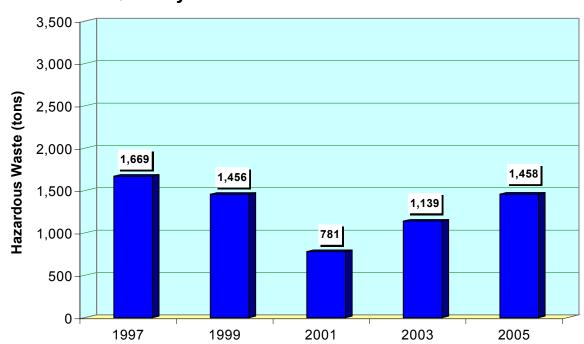
Explanation: Hazardous waste generation, as presented in this indicator, is reported to EPA by "large quantity generators" biennially in odd years. Data from the last reporting cycle for 2005 is available on the EPA website (www.epa.gov). Overall, the quantity of waste generated, as shown in this indicator, has ranged from roughly 780 to 1700 tons annually during the period from 1997 to 2005. Hazardous wastes in wastewater have been excluded from the indicator because the data quality for wastewater volumes is particularly questionable, especially since volume was removed as an EPA reporting requirement in 1997\*. The majority of hazardous wastes in Hawai`i are sent to permitted commercial treatment storage disposal facilities on the mainland, while the recyclable solvents are processed in state. Hazardous waste is defined in 40 CFR 261.3 as waste having any of the four hazardous characteristics: ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity, or toxicity, or a waste specially listed as a substance to be regulated as a hazardous waste. Common examples include paint, battery acid, oil, lead, and waste bleaches.

Implications: Compared to other states, hazardous waste generation has been relatively low in Hawai'i. During the eight-year period represented by this indicator, hazardous waste generation appears to be decreasing after a slight increase in 1997. The significant decrease in waste generation for 2001 is linked to the efforts of the waste minimization coordinator and a stronger inspection and enforcement presence. The increases in 2003 and 2005 may be due to a one-time generation for clean-up of contaminated sites.

Data Quality: Low (± 25-50%) confidence. Source: Grace Simmons (SHWB). Data are required by the EPA.

Hazardous Waste Generation Data			
	Hazardous Waste		
FFY	Generated in Tons		
1997	1,669		
1999	1,456		
2001	781		
2003	1,139		
2005	1,458		

### Quantity of Hazardous Waste Generated in Hawaii



<sup>\*</sup> However, the amount on the EPA website for 2001 does include 464,076 tons of wastewater generated by Tesoro Refinery. In previous reports, Tesoro's wastewater generation was not included.

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# Percentage of Solid Waste Recycled

*Explanation:* The amount of waste being landfilled has been increasing over the past seven to eight years. The percentage of solid waste diverted from landfills for recycling or reuse in Hawaii has also slowly increased over the past several years.

Implications: The State's current diversion rate stands at 36% and is in line with the most recent national statistics. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) data indicates a national recycling rate of 28% in 1999. The State's goal of 50% waste diversion was set in 1991 and mirrored the EPA's recycling goal at the time. The EPA has since revised its recycling goal to 35%. This change was made in recognition of the fact that states and municipalities needed a broader time frame in which to reach higher waste reduction levels.

Some mainland states and municipalities have taken great strides in increasing recycling rates, while Hawaii's commercial recyclers continue to deal with long-standing issues. Most notable is the high cost of shipping to the Far East or the mainland U.S. where most recycling markets are located. Volatility in recycled materials markets, combined with the relatively small amounts of materials generated in Hawaii, also continues to challenge recyclers.

Data Quality: 2003-2005: Medium

(± 10-20%) confidence; 2001-2002: Low (± 25-50%)

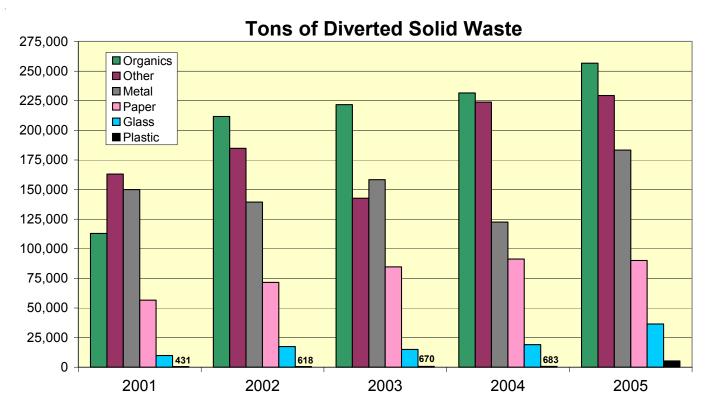
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Source: Lane Otsu (SHWB)

Data are not required by the EPA.

Total Solid Waste Recycling Data (in tons)

State FY	Produced Statewide	Disposed Statewide	Diverted Statewide	Percentage Diverted
2001	1,971,336	1,478,668	492,668	25.0%
2002	2,115,313	1,489,974	625,339	29.6%
2003	2,140,648	1,517,915	622,733	29.1%
2004	2,116,724	1,427,904	688,820	32.5%
2005	2,227,124	1,425,752	801,373	36.0%



## Number of Zoonotic Laboratory Tests for Early Detection or Confirmation of Zoonotic Diseases

Explanation: The main focus for 2006 was preventing West Nile Virus (WNV) from reaching Hawaii. The Vector Control Branch and State Laboratories were at the center of the effort. Mosquitoes were trapped, counted and sorted by VCB Laboratory, then tested at State Laboratories Division for WNV. Birds were necropsied at VCB, then tested at SLD. In addition to WNV, the increase of positive tests for leptospirosis was also a concern, Vector Control was also testing for plague, murine typhus.

*Implications:* Though West Nile Virus did not reach Hawaii in 2006, the prevention efforts will continue to be sustained. WNV was the most high-profile disease, however surveillance and testing must also be continued for other zoonotic diseases that cause threats to public health.

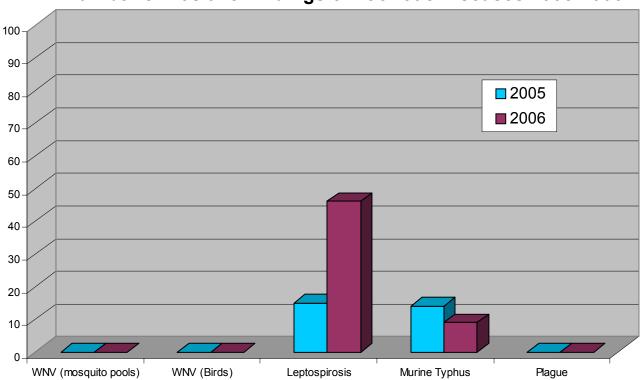
Disease Tested (# Positive)	TOTAL	Oahu	Hawaii	Maui	Kauai
West Nile (mosquito pools*)	2814 (0)	1809 (0)	566 (0)	239 (0)	200 (0)
West Nile (birds)	321(0)	245 (0)	43 (0)	24 (0)	9 (0)
Leptospirosis	814 (46)	202 (5)	601 (41)	0 (0)	11 (0)
Murine Typhus	284 (9)	174 (3)	91 (1)	6 (4)	13 (1)
Plague	8 (0)	1 (0)	5 (0)	7 (0)	0 (0)

<sup>\*</sup> A group of 15-50 insects pooled together for testing purposes. The total number of mosquitoes tested for WNV was 118,659

Data Quality: Medium (± 10-25%) confidence. Source: Wes Warashina (VCB Laboratory)

Data are not required by the EPA.

### **Number of Positive Findings of Zoonotic Diseases 2005-2006**



<sup>\*\*</sup> Rat and mouse sera tested by the indirect fluorescent antibody (IFA) technique

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Only animals retrieved from ports of entry tested for plague

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### Oil and Chemical Releases

*Explanation:* Any releases of oil or chemicals must be reported to DOH. No clear trend exists in the number of oil and chemical releases from 2000 to 2004. The database currently contains only initial information regarding a release. Follow-up information on releases (including volumes of releases) is not included.

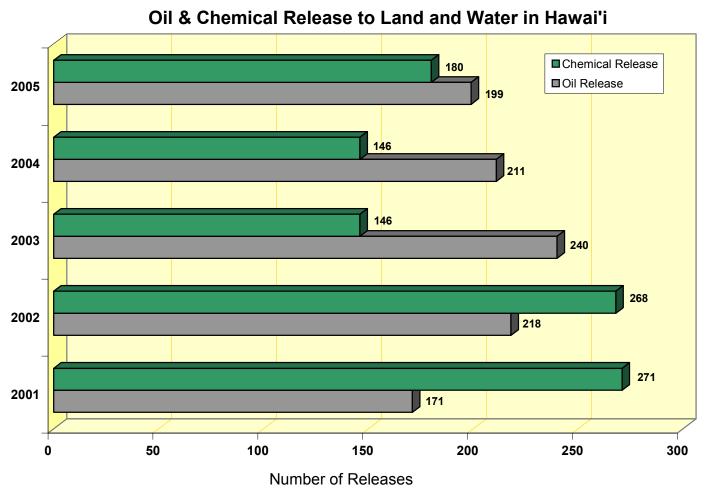
*Implications:* Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response (HEER) office crews respond to roughly 400-500 'spills' each year. Most are minor, a few are major, and some are false alarms. An increase in the number of releases does not necessarily correlate with an increase in damage to the environment. Future tracking and reporting will include volumes of spills in addition to numbers of spills.

Data Quality: Medium (± 10-25%) confidence.

Source: Marsha Graf (HEER).

Data are not required by the EPA.

Oil & Chemical Release Data				
FFY	Oil Releases	Chemical Releases		
2001	171	271		
2002	218	268		
2003	240	146		
2004	211	146		
2005	199	180		



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# Percentage of Population Served Drinking Water in Compliance with State and Federal Microbiological and Chemical Maximum Contaminant Levels

Explanation: Drinking water microbiological or chemical standards are called Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs). Water that exceeds MCLs is believed to be harmful to human health. In 2006, 99.6% of Hawaii's residents and visitors were served drinking water that met all of the MCLs all year long. Population figures are derived by summing the populations each public water system reports.

There were a small number of persons (5,501) in four water systems who were served water not in compliance with MCLs for part of the reporting year. This equals a non-compliance rate of 0.4% over Hawaii's population of 1,341,430 people.

*Implications:* The compliance rate has consistently exceeded 99.0% over the last five years. Whenever a violation is found, the public is notified through electronic media, hand-delivered notices, or published notices.

Data Quality:

High (± 5-10% confidence).

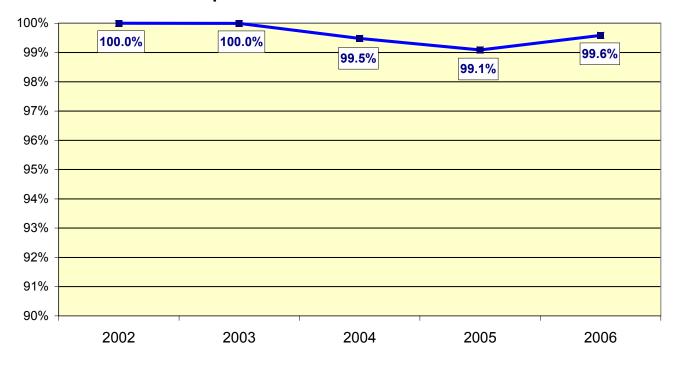
Source: Ann Zane (SDWB)

Data are required by the EPA

Calendar Year	Total Population Served Drinking Water	Population Served Water Below MCLs	Percentage Population Served Water in Compliance with MCLs
2002	1,300,251	1,300,251	100.0%
2003	1,300,715	1,300,682	100.0%
2004	1,341,572	1,334,645	99.5%
2005	1,341,727	1,329,510	99.1%
2000	1 2/1 /20	1 225 020	00.6%

Drinking Water MCL Compliance Data

# Percentage of Hawai`i's Population Served Drinking Water in Compliance with Maximum Contaminant Levels



# Cumulative Number of Sanitary Surveys Conducted for Drinking Water Systems 2002-2006

*Explanation:* A sanitary survey consists of a periodic review of the water source, facilities, equipment, operation and maintenance practices and records to verify that a public water system is operating properly. The DOH goal is to conduct "Sanitary Surveys" of all public water system source, treatment, and distribution operations in a five-year period. For Hawai`i, that averages 26 surveys per year. The SDWB is completing the five-year cycle from 2002-2006. Because of personnel shortages, implementing new rules and regulations, and dealing with issues regarding national security of drinking water systems, meeting these survey goals will continue to be a challenge.

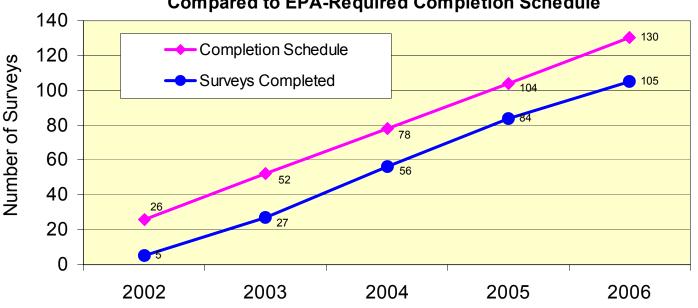
*Implications:* The first round of surveys was held from 1997 to 2001, so DOH has finished the second round of inspecting these water systems again. Within 30 days of each survey, the SDWB submits a sanitary survey report to the purveyor discussing any deficiencies and recommendations. The SDWB also requests a response from the purveyor within 30 days of receiving the report. When problems are found during surveys, the risk of water contamination is assessed. If the problem poses an imminent risk of contamination to the source or finished water, the SDWB will direct the purveyor to promptly correct the problem.

Data Quality: High (± 5-10%confidence).

Source: SDWB

FFY	Total Number of Systems to Survey (Average of 26/Year)	Surveys Completed Annually (= Cumulative total from 2002)
2002	26	5
2003	52	22 (27)
2004	78	29 (56)
2005	104	28 (84)
2006	130	21 (105)

# Drinking Water Sanitary Surveys Completed Compared to EPA-Required Completion Schedule





# Percentage of Injection Well Facilities in Compliance with State Underground Injection Control (UIC) Regulations

Explanation: The percentage of underground injection well facilities in compliance with state regulations (those with a current permit) for the calendar year 2006 has remained the same at approximately 49% since the year 2005. Most noncompliant injection well facilities were those for drainage injection wells – wells used for rainfall runoff disposal. The compliance percentage for drainage injection well facilities was approximately 47%. Injection well facilities for sewage disposal and industrial-related wastewater disposal had a compliance percentage of approximately 55%. Permit renewals for sewage and industrial-related injection have processing priority over permit renewals for drainage injection. Heavy workloads of large-capacity cesspool injection well permitting and abandonment applications have negatively affected the overall compliance percentages.

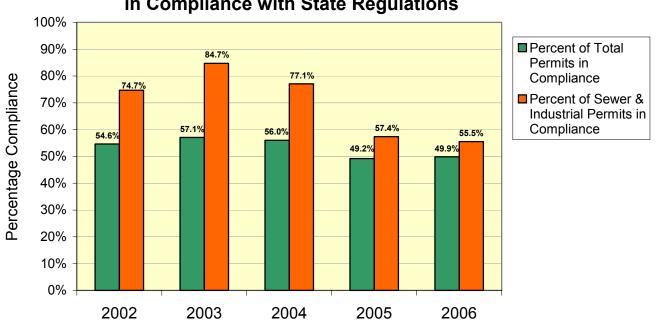
*Implications:* Drainage injection wells typically pose a lower potential for environmental contamination as compared to industrial or sewage related facilities. However, for counting purposes, all facilities are weighed equally. Injection well abandonment applications were given high processing priority due to the importance of achieving proper backfilling work and accommodating construction schedules.

Data Quality: High (±5-10% confidence).

Data are required by the EPA. Source: Chauncey Hew (SDWB)

Calendar Year	Total UIC Permits	Total Expired Permits	Percent of Total Permits in Compliance	Percent of Sewer & Industrial Permits in Compliance
2002	617	280	54.6%	74.7%
2003	659	283	57.1%	84.7%
2004	677	298	56.0%	77.1%
2005	679	345	49.2%	57.4%
2006	714	358	49.9%	55.5%

# Percentage of Underground Injection Well Facilities in Compliance with State Regulations



# Shoreline Postings Due to Sewage or Other Water Pollution

Explanation: Residents and visitors use our public beaches and the ocean for recreation and fishing. Sewage, chemical spills, and other releases can restrict our enjoyment and use of the shoreline as well as affect aquatic life. The following table shows the number of times shoreline waters were posted with warning signs (unsafe due to water pollution) by the counties, military, private parties or DOH. The reports from 2005 reflect a major change in that all shoreline recreational waters were considered. Although harbors are not considered recreational waters, they were included to be consistent with the 2005 annual report. Reports prior to 2005 only covered sandy beaches. The 2006 report also distinguishes days posted by different events: dry or wet weather sewage spills. Each day for each shoreline segment is counted.

*Implications:* There were 529 days of shoreline postings in 2006. The rise in sewage posting days corresponds to heavy rainfalls. There were 37 spill incidents during 2006 that needed postings. Over half of the spills (21) occurred between March 2nd and April 2nd, 2006 during heavy rains. For sewage spills, shorelines are first posted, then sampling occurs. The CWB reviews bacteria data

prior to allowing removal of the signs.

Source: Clean Water Branch

Data Quality: Medium

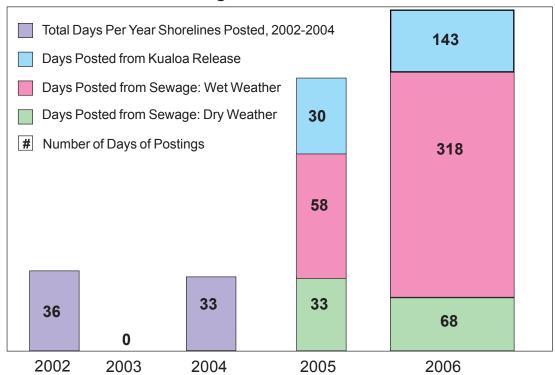
(± 10-25%) confidence

Calendar	Total Days Per Year	Days Posted from
Year	Shorelines Posted	Sewage Events
2002	36	N/A
2003	0	N/A
2004	33	N/A
2005	121	121
2006	529	529

#### Notes:

- i) These numbers do not reflect postings of warning signs on streams, lakes, and other inland waters, such as the Ala Wai Canal.
- ii) Other agencies may also post other shoreline warning signs. For example, the City and County of Honolulu posts warning signs on beaches after opening stream mouths to drain water. These are not included in this table.

### Shoreline Postings Due to Water Pollution





# Percentage of Wastewater Recycled Annually

Explanation: Wastewater recycling (or reuse of water treated to a level appropriate for irrigation purposes) has stayed in the range of 23.5 to 24.6 million gallons per day (MGD) between 2002 and 2006. In 2003, there was a slight decrease in wastewater reuse due to the deployment of troops from Schofield Barracks to the Mideast. In 2006, there was an increase of about 1 MGD, primarily due to the implementation of the wastewater reuse at the US Navy's Barber's Point golf course.

*Implications:* DOH has plans to encourage reuse to about 30 MGD, or about 20%, by 2015. However, there are concerns that this goal may not be realized, in part due to lack of staff to work on the program.

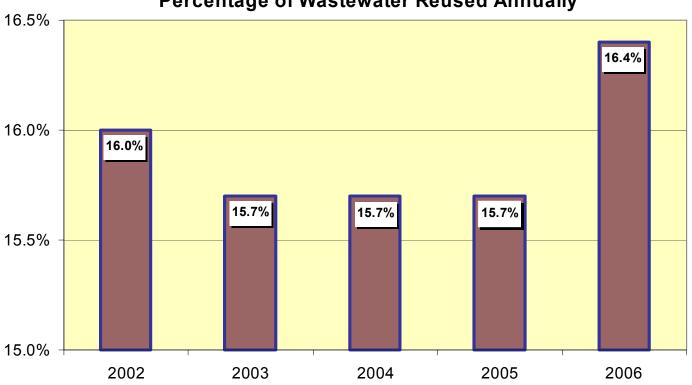
Data Quality: Medium (± 10-25%) confidence.

Source: Tomas See (WWB).

Data are not required by the EPA.

FFV	Total Wastewater	Wastewater Reused	
FFY	Treated (MGD)	(MGD)	Percent Reused
2002	150.0	24.0	16.0%
2003	150.0	23.5	15.7%
2004	150.0	23.5	15.7%
2005	150.0	23.5	15.7%
2006	150.0	24.6	16.4%

### **Percentage of Wastewater Reused Annually**





# Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations and Maintenance Compliance Records

Explanation: About three-fourths of Hawai'i's wastewater treatment plants show full compliance when inspected by the Wastewater Branch staff. Major operation and maintenance (O&M) deficiencies, effluent violations or permit violations warrant an unsatisfactory rating. In FY 2005, only facilities that were previously in non-compliance or had not been inspected were targeted. During FY2006 more facilities were inspected by staff than in the prior year. Of the facilities inspected, less had violations or deficiencies which led to higher overall compliance rates.

*Implications:* The stated goal of the WWB of 95% compliance by the year 2000 has not been achieved because of O&M deficiencies or effluent violations. The WWB staff believe operation and maintenance compliance leads to fewer sewage spills because well-maintained equipment breaks down less often. Another cause of the unsatisfactory ratings is the number of expired underground injection permits which are covered by the O&M inspection (see page 16 for a discussion of the underground injection permit program).

Data Quality:

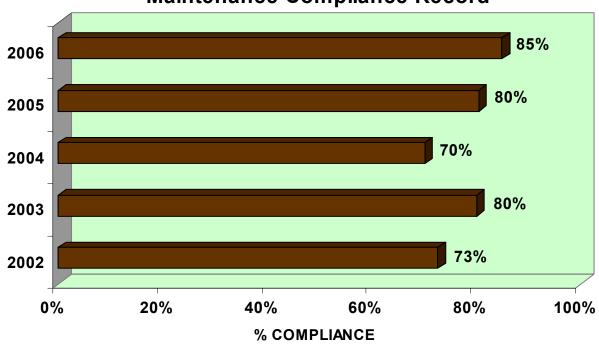
High (± 5-10% confidence).

Source: Marshall Lum (WWB).

Data are not required by the EPA

State FY	Number of Plants Number of Plants		Percent in
State FY	Inspected	Rated Unsatisfactory	Compliance
2002	106	29	73%
2003	100	20	80%
2004	57	17	70%
2005	41	8	80%
2006	93	14	85%

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Operation & Maintenance Compliance Record



### Number of Impaired Streams Listed, 2004

Explanation: This stream quality indicator is based on the "2004 List of Impaired Waters in Hawaii Prepared Under Clean Water Act §303(d)." The List identifies waters where our analysis of readily available data indicated non-attainment of State water quality standards, based on the decision making criteria explained in the listing document (please see <a href="https://www.hawaii.gov/health/environmental/env-planning/wqm/">www.hawaii.gov/health/environmental/env-planning/wqm/</a>). The 2004 List includes 11 new streams that were not listed in 2002. The next List will be published in spring of 2007.

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) of pollutants must eventually be developed for all waterbodies on the List of Impaired Waters. Currently, TMDLs have been established for three Oahu waterbodies (the Ala Wai Canal, Waimanalo Stream, and Kawa Stream), and are near completion for streams draining into Nawiliwili Bay (Kauai) and Pearl Harbor (Oahu), as well as for Kaneohe and Kapa'a Streams (Oahu). New TMDL development projects are underway for streams in Hanalei (Kauai), Ka'elepulu (Oahu), and Kaukonahua (Oahu), and for Waiakea and Alenaio Streams (Hawaii).

*Implications:* This stream quality indicator refers only to the inland part of a watershed with freshwater flows that have salinity lower than 0.5 parts per thousand (ppt), including all stream tributaries. The identification of these streams initiates a process that identifies pollutant sources so that agencies, non-profits, businesses, and community groups can begin to control these sources of pollution, improve water quality, and protect and enhance aquatic ecosystem health.

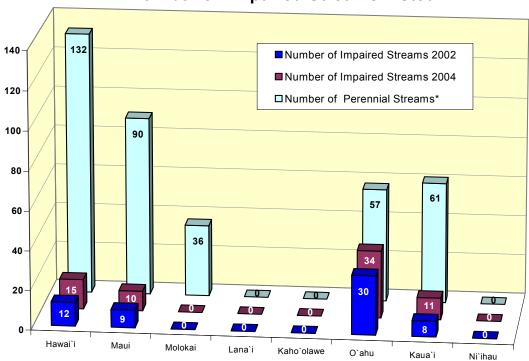
Data Quality: Medium/High (70-80%) confidence.

Source: Linda Koch (EPO)

Data are required by EPA.

Island	Number of Impaired Streams 2002	Number of Impaired Streams 2004	Number of Perennial Streams*
Hawai`i	12	15	132
Maui	9	10	90
Molokai	0	0	36
Lana`i	0	0	0
Kaho`olawe	0	0	0
O`ahu	30	34	57
Kaua`i	8	11	61
Ni`ihau	0	0	0
TOTAL	59	70	376

#### **Number of Impaired Streams Listed**



<sup>\*</sup>As identified in the 1990 Hawaii Stream Assessment (Commission on Water Resource Management and National Park Service)

### Toxics Release Inventory 2004 Hawaii Report

In June2006, EPA's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) program released the 2003 data on toxics that were released into the nation's air, water and land from major industry sectors throughout the United States.

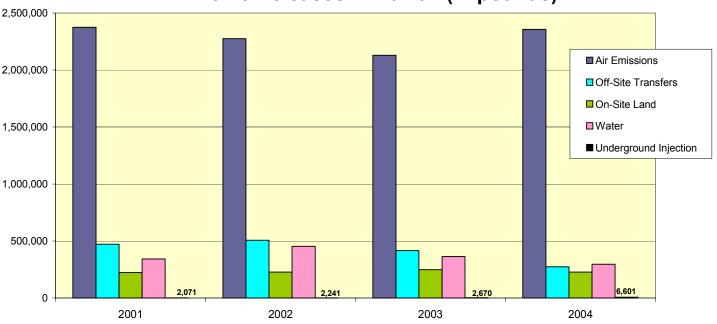
The Hawaii 2001 TRI report reflected some major changes in reporting, and for this reason, data from years prior to 2001 are not included. Some of the significant changes were the inclusion of "new industries" to the "original industries" category for air releases, as well as the use of different methods for calculating air emissions. The 2001 report also included first-time reporting from four federal facilities.

Hawaii's total reported on-site and off-site releases had less than 1% change when compared to 2003 data. However, there was an 11% increase in air releases, mainly from the electric services industry. There was also a large increase in the underground injection numbers, mainly due to releases at the Tesoro refinery. The decreases came from fewer reports in off-site transfers and water from two US military sites at Schofield Barracks and Pearl Harbor. For more detailed information, including information about Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBT) chemicals, refer to the EPA website at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/region09/toxic/tri">www.epa.gov/region09/toxic/tri</a>.

\*Release is defined as the amount of a toxic chemical released on-site (to air, water, underground injection, landfills and other land disposal), and the amount transferred off-site for disposal. It is important to note that "release" should not be directly equated with "risk." To evaluate risk, release data must be combined with information about chemical toxicity, site-specific conditions, and exposure.

	Toxic Releases in Hawaii (in pounds)				
FFY	Air Emissions	Off-Site Transfers	On-Site Land	Water	Underground Injection
2001	2,374,857	472,297	224,400	343,770	2,071
2002	2,274,706	507,425	228,634	454,684	2,241
2003	2,129,343	415,095	249,267	364,067	2,670
2004	2,356,380	274,015	227,719	296,415	6,601

### **Toxic Releases in Hawaii (in pounds)**



Data are not required of DOH by EPA, but EPA does require data from private industries.



# For More Information:

### State of Hawaii, Department of Health Environmental Health Administration

### www.hawaii.gov/health/environmental

Deputy Director for Environmental Health	586-4424			
Environmental Health Administration Offices:				
Compliance Assistance	586-4528			
Environmental Planning	586-4337			
Environmental Resources	586-4575			
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Environmental Management Division	586-4304			
Clean Air Branch	586-4200			
Clean Water Branch	586-4309			
Safe Drinking Water Branch	586-4258			
Solid & Hazardous Waste Branch	586-4226			
Wastewater Branch	586-4294			
Environmental Health Services Division	586-1522			
Food & Drug Branch	586-4725			
Noise, Radiation & Indoor Air Quality Branch	586-4701			
Sanitation Branch	586-8000			
Vector Control Branch	483-2535			
State Laboratories Division	453-6652			